

**Special Jefferson County Commissioner Meeting Minutes
March 22, 2016
Courtroom 4**

Meeting called to order at 9:05. Those present are Commissioner Farnsworth, Commissioner Hancock, Chairman Raymond, Public Works Dave Walrath, Attorney Robin Dunn, Clerk Colleen Poole; Audrey Moon is clerk of the board. Pledge of Allegiance offered by Dave Walrath. Prayer offered by Robin Dunn.

Chairman Raymond notes that after reviewing statuses on the executive sessions these will need to be changed to executive sessions (C).

Commissioners

- **Executive Session 74-206 (C) – Negotiations**

Motion by Chairman Raymond to go into executive session 74-206 (C) – Negotiations. Second by Commissioner Hancock. Roll call taken. Commissioner Farnsworth – aye, Commissioner Hancock – aye, Chairman Raymond – aye. Motion passed.

Open session 9:32

Chairman Raymond mentioned they have been in an executive session to discuss some options on a potential building. No actions taken and no decisions made.

- **Executive Session 74-206 (F) – Legal**

Motion by Commissioner Farnsworth to go into executive session 74-206 (F) – Legal. Second by Commissioner Hancock. Roll call taken. Commissioner Farnsworth – aye, Commissioner Hancock – aye, Chairman Raymond – aye. Motion passed.

Open session at 10:11

Chairman Raymond said they have currently been in legal discussions going over the MOU between Jefferson County and the Great Feeder Canal Company. Chairman Raymond said before them is they need to make a decision to accept this MOU between Jefferson County and Great Feeder Canal Company. Attorney Robin Dunn mentioned this is revision #7 on this MOU. Commissioner Farnsworth believes with the changes that have been made he is now in favor of this MOU.

Motion by Commissioner Farnsworth to accept the Memorandum of Understanding between Jefferson County and The Great Feeder Canal Company as the final draft. Second by Commissioner Hancock. Roll call taken. Commissioner Farnsworth – aye, Commissioner Hancock – aye, Chairman Raymond – aye. Motion passed.

This MOU will be left in the Clerk's office for a member of the Great Feeder Canal board to pick up.

- **Executive Session 74-206 (C) – Negotiations**

Motion by Commissioner Hancock to go into executive session 74-206 (C) – Negotiations. Second by Commissioner Farnsworth. Roll call taken. Commissioner Farnsworth – aye, Commissioner Hancock – aye, Chairman Raymond – aye. Motion passed.

Open session at 11:04

Commissioner Hancock said that in his opinion he is currently not ready to make an offer on the Probation building. Commissioner Farnsworth is also not interested in making an offer on the Probation building at this time. Commissioner Hancock wants to investigate and get some information on building a new building beside the courthouse. Robin mentioned that they are going to be doing more research. Chairman Raymond said they will move forward with some additional research. Chairman Raymond brought up the additional rent that had been brought forward by the owners of the Probation building. Need to make a decision on this today. Robin mentioned the \$500 additional rent will include allowing access to the basement until the area is leased. Commissioner Farnsworth believes if this allows them basement access it would be worth it. Discuss where the additional rent would be taken since the adjustment was not made during the budget process.

Motion by Commissioner Farnsworth to allow the increase of rent for the Probation building to an additional \$500 a month. Will gain access to the basement with this increase it will be in effect March 1, 2016. Second by Commissioner Hancock. Commissioner Farnsworth mentioned will need to check into where this funding will come from. Roll call taken. Commissioner Farnsworth – aye, Commissioner Hancock – aye, Chairman Raymond – aye. Motion passed.

Motion by Commissioner Hancock to adjourn at 11:11. Second by Commissioner Farnsworth. All in favor – aye. Motion passed.

Chairman of the Board

Date

Clerk of the Board

Date

County Clerk

Date

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